



**GOD'S LOVE**

*The Real Guide*

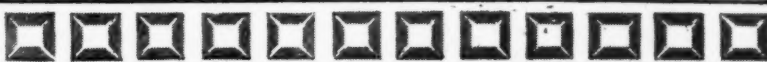
YOU may bring to your office and put in a frame  
A motto as fine as its paint,  
But if you're a crook when you're playing the  
game.  
That motto won't make you a saint.

If the motto says, "Smile," and you carry a frown,  
"Do It Now," and you linger and wait;  
If the motto says, "Help," and you trample men  
down,  
If the motto says, "Love," and you hate;

You won't get away with the mottoes you stall,  
For truth will come forth with a bounce—  
It isn't the motto that hangs on the wall,  
But the motto you live, that counts.

—Author Unknown.

THE GROUND OF



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## Notices

The Lord has blessed us with a 40x60 tent. I am planning to start a meeting in South Greenwood, S. C., Aug. 22nd. Saints everywhere, please pray for the meeting, and all passing ministers and musicians are invited to stop by.—Your sister in Christ, Margaret Jacobs.

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To the churches in West Virginia: I guess you have been looking for further announcement about the state convention. I will say it would be impossible to have it before some time in September and that would be so near the General Assembly, and some of our ministers say it will be impossible for them to attend both the state convention and the General Assembly because of financial conditions, and of course, we want them to attend the General Assembly, so we decided to not have the state convention.

I am very sorry to do this, but I am just now recovering from an eight-weeks illness and am yet unable to go on the field, so it seems we can't do any better about it.

While we are writing, we wish to express our appreciation for all the good letters and cards we received from the different ones during our illness, and we appreciate the way the good people of Huntington stood by us. We trust the Lord will richly bless each one.—Yours in Him, H. N. Scoggins, Overseer of West Virginia.

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To all the district overseers and pastors in Virginia: Greetings. As it is almost time for the Assembly I am making another appeal to you to raise your 40c per member for the general indebtedness drive. This is three or four times I have made an appeal to you through the Evangel this year, and have had very little response from any one. Now the Assembly passed this and no doubt you helped to pass it, and we are expecting you to raise your quota by the Assembly, and failure to put forth an effort to raise it will lower your standing with the church and those in authority, for the Church is looking for ministers who will obey the teachings. Please attend to this at once as Brother Latimer asked that it all be in by the Assembly.

Also please remember the aged ministers' fund and raise 10c per member for them and send it in by the Assembly as this is very needful at this time.

Please do your best and let's have everything up in full by the close of the year. Our missions have been some better but we need to do our best on mis-

sions as we have many good places where we could open new work if we would raise our mission quota. Hoping to see you all at the Assembly with a good report, I am your humble overseer, I. H. Brabson, overseer of Virginia.

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To all the churches on the Morristown, Tenn., district: Our Sunday School convention will convene Aug. 25 at Jefferson City, Tenn., starting 9:30 a. m. We are looking for you to be there with a big delegation and a well-filled basket. All pastors and superintendents, see that you have your whole Sunday School come if possible. We want to make this the best in history and we are going to depend on you to help make it so.

A revival will also begin that night at Jefferson City conducted by the writer. Please pray for its success. We are also looking for Brother Simmons to be with us in our Sunday School convention.—Humbly, J. F. Lowe, district Sunday School superintendent.

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District overseers, pastors and churches in Texas: The 1935 Texas state camp meeting revealed that some churches were behind some on the aged ministers' quota, also their general indebtedness. We have a few weeks to finish raising our quotas so as to get them in by the 20th of September, so I am asking each district overseer to check up on the work on his district and not stop until each church goes over the top. Then there is the annual report to be made out and sent to Headquarters. This should be done not later than Sept. 20th. Be sure and attend to this as it is very important.

Another thing! The church at Iowa Park is in distress over the loss of their church building, piano and all church furnishings. I appeal to every church in the state to send them an offering if it is only a small one. This is not a demand but an appeal to help those who are in dire need. I will not be able to visit all the districts before leaving for Council which convenes Sept. 21st, but will be praying daily for each of you.—R. P. Johnson, Overseer of Texas.

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We are having our home coming day Sept. 1st at Bedico, La., in order to finish raising the old ministers' fund, also to raise the balance of our general indebtedness quota. Everybody bring or send an offering and bring a well-filled basket. Come, let us enjoy the blessings of God—Dewitt Sharp, pastor, Bogalusa, La.

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If any one knows the address of Sister Belle Black I would appreciate you sending it to me.—Mrs. Adam Davis, Morley, Tenn.

Dear Church of God people, we are still trying to be faithful to our Lord and Master. We are now living in New Mexico close to the line of Texas, and find this part of the country very far from God. There is a great need of Spirit-filled people to carry on the Master's cause. If any of the dear saints at Mobeetie read this, please report to the church for us. We have written twice but received no reply. Remember us when you pray.—Yours in Christ, Mr. Moss Easley, Rt. A, Box 53, Elida, N. Mex.

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To all the churches and pastors on the Waycross, Ga., district, greetings. I wish to call your attention to the fact that the Assembly year is swiftly closing. You who have not gone over the top with your 40c per member general indebtedness drive, please do so by the second Sunday in September, Sept. 8th. Also don't forget the aged ministers' fund which is 10c per member. Please get up your quotas on missions as outlined by the General Assembly. See Page 146, Minutes of 29th Annual Assembly. Please see that your pastors have funds to attend the Assembly. Come on Waycross district, don't be slackers, let's be one hundred per cent by the Assembly.—Humbly, James S. Roberts, district overseer.

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To the churches of Pennsylvania: Brother H. Hanley has moved to Philadelphia, Pa., and Miss Meririm Pfeger was elected clerk of Reading Church of God until the Assembly.—Miss Meririm Pfeger, 317 Mulberry St., Reading, Pa.

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The Columbus, Ga., district convention will convene at the Columbus church on Gilbert Ave., and 43rd St. Good music and singing. Brother J. P. Hughes will be with us.—A. H. Batts, district pastor, Rt. 1, Columbus, Ga.

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I am planning to leave Allen Junction, W. Va., Friday, Oct. 4th, for Chattanooga for the Assembly which will convene there Oct. 5-11. I will go by Princeton, W. Va., Bristol, Va., and Knoxville, Tenn. I have a good truck and can take several passengers at a reasonable rate. Get in touch with me at once for particulars.—Yours in Jesus, D. H. Eastridge, Allen Junction, W. Va.

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To the churches on the Memphis, Tenn., district! I am setting the second Sunday in September for each church to raise their 40c per member on the general indebtedness drive, also the 10c per member for aged ministers' fund. Please don't forget them. Come on pastors and members and let's do our best.—Your

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# Pentecost Dispensationally

E. C. CLARK, EDITOR

## INTRODUCTION

**W**HEN we speak of Pentecost, we refer to the fiftieth or last day of the "feast of weeks," commonly called the "feast of Pentecost." In these writings we wish to deal with the primary and prophetic features of Pentecost as found in the old covenant, tracing them through into the new covenant in their dispensational purpose.

Text: "And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete: Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the Lord."

## THE FEAST OF FIRSTFRUITS

The day of Pentecost was the fiftieth day after the offering up of the sheaf of the "wave offering" of the firstfruits. This "sheaf" was taken from the barley harvest, and was, according to tradition, offered or waved before the Lord on the 16th of Nisan. "Until the waving of the sheaf, neither bread nor parched corn, nor green ears, nor grain in any form, might be eaten." V. 14. It was called the sheaf of the "firstfruits" of the harvest. Prophetically it pointed to Christ, the "firstfruits" of them that slept, 1 Cor. 15:20-23.

Pentecost lasted but one day, but celebrated on the fiftieth day after the waving of the sheaf of the "firstfruits", the exact time between the resurrection of Christ and the outpoured Spirit at Pentecost. In that the harvest might not be eaten of until the waving of the sheaf of the firstfruits before the Lord, it is deeply significant of some uncleanness as pertaining to the harvest itself. "To be accepted for you" (v. 1) is clearly indicative of that fact. The harvest from which the "sheaf of the firstfruits" was taken, was typical of the human race lost in sin, but made acceptable through the atonement of Christ.

As there was a "firstfruit," next in order was the harvest itself. Though these feasts originated within, and primarily belonged to Israel, as will be seen from the light of truth contained in them, the Gentiles were included even in these types. The atonement was made for both Jew and Gentile, Eph. 2:13-18. The harvest made acceptable by the offering of Christ "the firstfruits" consisted of the entire fallen race of mankind.

Since Pentecost depends upon the

other feasts which precede it, we have referred to the feast of the "firstfruits" first. The Passover feast constituted the basic foundation of revealed truth, upon which all other blessings rest. The feasts of unleavened bread, and that of the "firstfruits" is but a continuation of the results of the Passover feast.

## PREPARATION FOR PENTECOST

At the beginning of the wheat harvest reservation was made of a field, from which the ears of wheat were to be cut. These were reaped on the evening of the forty-ninth day from the 15th of Nisan, by three delegates appointed by the Sanhedrin. The sheaf to be reaped was marked by a delegation from the Sanhedrin "by tying in bundles, while still standing;" and was brought unto the court of the temple, where it was threshed, winnowed and ground, after which it was leavened and formed into the two "wave loaves". The waving of these two loaves before the Lord on the fiftieth day, was a token that, like as the barley harvest was sanctified for the use of the people, even so was the wheat harvest now acceptable.

The offering of the firstfruits, also that of the two wave loaves, is in thanksgiving and grateful acknowledgment to the Lord of the harvest for the increase given. A prima-facie facsimile of Pentecost was also in manifestation, when the one hundred twenty all "continued with one accord in prayer and supplication in the upper room and in the temple, praising and blessing God". Acts 1:14; Luke 24:53.

After the national offering of the firstfruits of the harvest had been made, private offerings from that day and subsequent days were continued to be made until the end of the year. These were brought from the twenty-four districts into which Palestine was divided. Since Christ our Great High Priest has entered the holiest of all, having offered Himself as an offering for sin, every believer continues to bring his Pentecostal offering of the harvest unto God in praise and thanksgiving, in grateful acknowledgment unto God for the blessings of the outpoured Spirit upon the harvest of mankind.

To afford some gospel truth for your edification, again we quote from the context: "Ye shall bring out of your habitation two wave loaves of two tenth deals; they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the Lord." The "firstfruits" here mentioned was that of the wheat

harvest. The greater portion of the crop had been reaped and housed at this time. There was to be an offering made before the Lord, consisting of such bread as was used in ordinary or everyday life. When we come to God through the Holy Spirit, as pictured in this Pentecostal feast, we come to Him as we are. God through the spirit of His living Word is a discernor of the "thoughts and intents of the heart". If leaven of sin is present God knows it.

Each of the two wave loaves contained about an homer of fine flour, equal to about five pints; these weighed about five pounds. Five is generally understood to be the number of grace; if so, here is a thread which prefigures grace in action through the Spirit of Pentecost, which is the way and manner God has wrought since Pentecost. "Baken with leaven" gives us a hint at a truth most of us do not like to confess. Leaven was always, both in the Old and New Testaments, used to represent evil or sin. There was no leaven offered with the offering of the "firstfruits", which was typical of Christ; because He was without sin. However, when it turns to those who offer themselves unto God through the Spirit of Pentecost, there is sin among them; this may be cleansed by confession and repentance; but God's types run true to the antitypes to which they point. The work of Pentecost was, as mentioned above, a work of grace. Eph. 2:8.

## INDIVIDUAL PREPARATION

The wheat of the harvest from which these two wave loaves were made, was (1) threshed. By this we may profess to see something of pungent conviction and confession for sins committed. (2) It was winnowed, in an effort to rid the wheat of all chaff and impurities. May we not in the act of winnowing see a separation by sanctification, by which the wheat is separated from the chaff, or the ungodly and sinner, and all personal sins. 2 Cor. 7:1. (3) It was ground. By this process it was made into one homogeneous body; it was afterward kneaded together. By this method we should see something of the baptism of the Holy Ghost in operation. The grinding may properly foreshadow the humiliation and surrender of our individual rights, that God may make us one body in Christ before receiving the Holy Ghost. There should remain no individualism among Spirit-filled believers. "Grinding" was designed to eliminate it. "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, and made to drink into one Spirit." 1 Cor. 12:13. "That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same

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## NOTICES

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brother, John R. Teague, district over-  
seer, 528 Edith Ave., Memphis, Tenn.

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The Western Kentucky district con-  
vention of The Church of God will con-  
vene at the Oak Grove church near  
Cromwell, Ky., Ohio county, Aug. 30-  
Sept. 1 with Carl A. Stanley, district  
overseer, in charge. We invite God's peo-  
ple everywhere to come and share in this  
good feast. Come and bring all your mu-  
sic instruments and let us make a joyful  
noise unto the Lord.

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Brother and Sister A. B. Riggs are  
back in The Church of God in Wilming-  
ton, N. C.—G. C. Hamby, pastor.

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I am in a revival at The Church of  
God at Cedartown, Ga. Every one please  
pray for the meeting.—A brother, W. E.  
Feltman, Cedartown, Ga.

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I am now ready to go into the evan-  
gelistic work. Any one wanting meet-  
ings, please let me hear from you at once.  
I would also like to get a sister to travel  
with me in the work, one who can play  
an organ or guitar.—Yours in the gospel  
work, Stella Watts, Rt. 1, Truman, Ark.

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We are leaving Lakeland, Fla., for  
Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 3rd at 7:00 A.  
M. We will go by Dade City, Fla. I have  
a good truck covered with good seats.  
Will take any one for \$5.00 round trip.  
I can take twenty passengers.—M. D.  
Davis, Plymouth, Fla.

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A party is leaving here at St. George  
W. Va., Thursday, Oct. 3rd, for the As-  
sembly at Chattanooga, Tenn. Will go by  
Elkins, Bluefield, W. Va., Bristol, Kings-  
port, Knoxville and Cleveland, Tenn.  
Have a one and one-half ton truck, can  
take several passengers at a reasonable  
rate. Any one along this route who wishes  
to go, please communicate with me at

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tion.

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takes, but if we make a mistake, we will take pleas-  
ure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send us reports of  
interest from the battlefield, if nothing else, a postal  
card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of informa-  
tion as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense re-  
ports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper  
allowance of space.

once.—Silas D. Smith, St. George, W.  
Va.

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To the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's  
of the State of North Carolina: The state  
Sunday School banner goes to Lexington,  
N. C., for the month of July, a gain of  
one hundred four per cent. Only thirty-  
six schools reported for July, leaving thirty-  
one that failed to report. I will call  
the pastors' attention to Page 156 in the  
1934 Minutes of the Assembly. Just the  
average per month is all that I want.  
Some of the schools' record on my book  
look very bad.

As to the Y. P. E. in the State, we  
have a nice Y. P. E. banner that goes to  
the one that makes the best percentage  
increase each month. Just state on the re-  
port that you send your Sunday School  
report on. Give the total attendance for  
the month and I will place the banner  
and give a general report to Brother  
Adkins each month. So far only two have  
reported.—C. M. Dunn, Box 192, Erwin,  
N. C., State S. S. and Y. P. E. treasurer.

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The Church of God at Lake Worth,  
Fla., would like to know the whereabouts  
and spiritual condition of Sister S. E.  
Gray. She joined the Church of God in  
Lake Worth, Fla., Nov. 15, 1925.—  
Sincerely yours, L. V. Johnston, Lake  
Worth, Fla., Gen. Del.

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To the churches in Arkansas and Ok-  
lahoma: Immediately after the 15th of  
September let each church meet in the  
absence of their pastor and express their  
choice for pastor for the incoming year.  
I suggest the deacon or some suitable per-  
son pass blank slips of paper to the  
members of the church who are above  
fifteen years of age, write on this slip  
your first, second and even third choice.  
Deacons, take these slips and put them in  
an envelope and mail to me. No count or  
tab should be taken. I will do my very  
best for all churches and preachers. See  
29th Minutes, Page 141.—S. J. Wood,  
Box 924, Shawnee, Okla.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

Complying with the ruling of the Gen-  
eral Assembly, that the General Secretary  
have an audit made at the end of each  
Assembly year, we have decided to close  
all the books here at Headquarters Sept.  
14th.

We would be glad if all the Clerks and  
Ministers have in their reports for Au-  
gust, on or before that date. All remit-  
tances received before that date will be  
included in this Assembly year.—General  
Secretary.

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The New Mexico camp meeting will  
convene Sept. 1-8 at Carlsbad, Come and  
bring your musical instruments. Let's  
have a feast. Bring what you have to  
camp with. We are expecting several  
from Texas and other places to come  
over and help us. Remember the place  
and time.—M. E. Drake, overseer.

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The Petersburg, W. Va., district con-  
vention will convene at Bayard, W. Va.,  
at the Emmons Hall Aug. 29-Sept. 1.  
Everybody is invited to attend this con-  
vention. We are expecting every preacher  
on this district to be present, also we  
urge the clerks of the churches and dea-  
cons to be present. We hope that every  
member of the churches can attend.  
Come along saints and friends, and let's  
enjoy a feast with the Lord. We are ex-  
pecting our dear Brother Scoggins to be  
with us, also some ministers from other  
states. We are expecting a grand time at  
this convention. We are asking each  
church of this district to please take a  
special offering to help us with the ex-  
pense of this convention, also every one  
who can bring us a nice pounding to help  
feed the guests of our convention. Now  
we will be looking for you, so come on  
and help us to have a real good conven-  
tion. Don't forget to try to have your  
40c per member made up by the time the  
convention convenes, also remember the  
old ministers' 10c per member. Come on  
now, Petersburg district, let's go over  
the top one hundred per cent on these  
assessments.—Your humble servant,  
Howard Statum, district overseer, Bayard,  
W. Va.

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A revival will begin Sunday, Aug.  
25th, at the Church of God on the  
highway near Chapman, Ala., conducted  
by Brother G. C. Dunn and wife. Tues-  
day, September 3rd, Brother Colon Dunn  
will begin a singing school at the same  
church, the revival will continue; pastor,  
Brother A. W. Miles. We are asking spe-  
cial prayer for the revival.—F. E. Wor-  
rel, Chapman, Ala.

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This is to notify our readers that Mr.  
and Mrs. Jacob Rosen of Venturia, N.

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# After Death

By C. L. BARKER

Text: Matt. 16:26, 27, "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works."

Our text makes us to realize that we will be rewarded in future life according to our works, or our life here in this life.

Rev. 22:12. "And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."

From these two scriptures alone, while there are others we could cite, we find the Bible teaches us that our reward after death will be according to our life here on earth. There are only two places recorded in the scripture as eternal destiny of the soul; namely, heaven and hell. Let us look for a few minutes at the Bible teachings of hell. There is a hell! Psalms 9:17, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." This passage of scripture makes us to know the reward of the wicked and those who forget God will be hell.

Matt. 5:22. "But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire." This passage of scripture helps us to realize the reward that awaits those who transgress the law of God.

Matt. 5:29. "And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell." It is evident from this passage of scripture that there is a hell, into which the whole body can be cast, and that it would be more profitable for us to lose a member of the body than to be cast into hell. Our text said: "What will it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Matt. 18:7, 8. "Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come: but woe to that man by whom the offences cometh! Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting

fire." This passage of scripture we understand to teach us that we should be careful not to offend, realizing that we would be rewarded in the next world according to our life here. The scripture says, "But woe to that man by whom the offence cometh." I take it that woe means misery, misery "to that man by whom the offence cometh." Truly I believe it will be misery to be cast into everlasting fire. So if thy hand, thy foot or thy eye, or in other words, if thy life is not bridled and kept from offending, we can only expect to be cast into everlasting fire. Therefore, I believe we should bridle our whole body, walk circumspectly before God and honestly before all men, keeping the commandments of Jesus Christ, and being obedient unto the Word of God, realizing that we must all stand before the judgment seat of Christ, there to be judged according to the deeds done in this body.

*Let Us Look Further into the Scripture*

2 Peter 2:4-6. "For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly." From this passage of scripture we are made to know that God spared not the angels, nor the old world, nor the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, making them an ensample to us. Brother, if they could not escape the wrath of God in a day when they did not have the Bible and the plain teachings of the scripture to go by, and to lead, guide and direct them, how can we escape the wrath of God in this day of enlightenment, when there is a Bible in practically every hotel and the Word of God is preached everywhere. If we do not know how to get saved, we will have to admit that it is because we have neglected to get acquainted with our Maker and His Word.

Acts 17:30, 31. "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent; Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." When we rise to the day

that God has appointed, an appointment that we will be unable to miss, there we will be judged according to the merits of our life.

Let us look at the rich man found in Luke 16:19-31. This rich man died and was buried, and the Bible says in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torment. It is evident that he could see in hell, and being in torment he could also feel in hell, and he saw Lazarus in Abraham's bosom and cried out and said, "Father Abraham, send Lazarus that he might dip his finger in water and cool my tongue." He had learned in this life that water would put out fire. He said, "I am tormented in this flame." Now, from this scripture we see that the rich man had all five of his senses: namely, he could see, feel, talk, hear, remember. I have sometimes thought that if a man could forget in hell the opportunities that he had in this life to get right with God, hell would not be such a torment, but to realize that he is there simply because he rejected the Christ of the Bible, the Son of God who gave His life that we might have eternal life, will mean added misery to those who go to this place of torment. From the rich man in hell we learn that a man goes into hell immediately at death, because this man prayed that Lazarus might be raised from the dead and sent to warn his five brethren, so it is evident that the judgments had not set as yet, and people were still living on the earth.

Hell, then; is a place of torment between death and the judgment.

I believe hell can be represented this way: A man is arrested by the sheriff and placed in the county jail, and there he awaits the day of trial. During the time that he is waiting to come before the tribunal of this land, he remains in jail. After he is found guilty, he is sentenced to the prison, and so it is that the soul goes immediately into hell, then after the white throne judgment goes into the lake of fire.

We read in Rev. 20:14, "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death." Can we get a vision of a lake burning with fire and brimstone, the eternal abode of the immortal soul of the man who is lost, eternity's dark night, howling demons, the shrieks and cries of the damned, eternally lost, eternal despair, hopeless, there to remain as long as there is a God? This is the reward of the ungodly.

Our theme is "After Death." We have looked at one side, now let us look at the other.

John 3:16. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Not only did Jesus come into this

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## Convention Reports

### THE BEST CONVENTION EVER HELD IN SOUTH CAROLINA

The South Carolina state convention convened at the large, beautiful, brick church in Greenville, S. C., July 18-21. Brother Earl Paulk, state overseer, officiated. Early Thursday afternoon the saints began to gather from the east, west, north and south to this great annual feast of the Church of God in South Carolina. At the very beginning of the convention God's presence and power were felt. The speakers, singers and musicians were all at their very best.

Among those present from out of the state were our beloved and esteemed General Overseer, Brother S. W. Latimer; M. P. Cross, state overseer of Tennessee; J. H. Walker, superintendent of B. T. S.; E. L. Simmons and Evan Ellis from Chattanooga, Tenn.; J. L. Stephen, state overseer of North Carolina; W. T. Nelson of Charlotte, N. C.; J. M. Synder of Canton, N. C.; Y. E. McNear of Augusta, Ga.; E. W. Williams, state overseer of Florida; B. L. Hicks and Cavis of Florida and Orion Alewine of Michigan.

A well balanced program of music and singing was rendered by the following: Zeno C. Tharp and choir, Greenville string band and quartet, Laurens string band, Duncan sisters trio, Hanvey duet, Brother McNear and daughter, Hatchell brothers, Pearl White, LeFevre trio, Harmon duet, Brother E. L. Simmons, Brother W. T. Nelson and the Greer quartet.

Brother Zeno C. Tharp, local pastor, gave the welcome address. He made everyone feel at home, and throughout the entire convention he surely did his part to extend a warm and sincere welcome to all. Response was given by Brothers Porter White, J. H. Powell, R. E. Reed and out-of-state visitors. By this time the good and happy feeling that the Holy Ghost brings was felt. The messages of the evening were given by Brothers Carl Cox and W. E. Raney. God's presence was manifested so greatly at the beginning of the convention until one was made to wonder what would take place before it closed.

Friday was a glorious day in the Lord. The speakers for the morning and their subjects were: "The Trail of the Serpent from the Garden to the Pit" by Brother J. D. Bright; "Why We Should Pray" by C. W. Dempsey; "Despise not the day of Small Things," Brother J. C. Brooks; "Loyalty to Christ and His Church," Brother C. E. McAbee. At the afternoon

service Brother R. G. Looney spoke on "Sunday School, Is it Beneficial and to Whom?" Brother J. H. Wiggins spoke on "Why We Believe the Bible." At the evening service Brother S. W. Latimer gave an inspiring message on prophecy after which Brother Otis Smith spoke on "Prepare to Meet Thy God." Everyone enjoyed the good preaching and the good blessings the Holy Ghost gave, and Brother E. L. Simmons expressed the sentiments of the entire congregation when he said near the close of the day, "If the preaching and the good blessings of the Lord continue to get better, we may expect the rapture before the close of the convention."

Saturday morning after the song and prayer service Brother Zeno Tharp preached an inspiring sermon on "Improved Qualifications." Brother W. D. Childers spoke on "Does God Require Us to Help Missionaries?" After this very touching message the mission offering was taken. God moved on the hearts of the people and amid shouting and weeping they placed their contribution on the Bible. The offering totaled \$150.62. The district pastors reported a large number saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, four new churches set in order, two church buildings enlarged to twice their former size and nine new church buildings, one of these 40x60, two story, brick veneer structure. The lower story is completed with rooms for Sunday School and the upper story is the auditorium. At the afternoon service Brother J. R. Mullinax spoke on "Faith Without Works Is Dead" and Brother T. D. Brogdon on "Launching Out into the Deep." At the evening service the writer boosted the Evangel after which subscriptions were received. Brother J. H. Walker spoke in behalf of the Bible Training School. The Y. P. E. put on an interesting program with Brother C. F. Grant, state superintendent, in charge. The closing sermon for the day was preached by the state evangelist, Brother S. C. Chambers.

Services began Sunday morning at nine o'clock. Brother Frank Patterson preached on "Is the Coming of the Lord Near?" Brother G. W. Cooper and Brother J. C. Childers spoke to us on the orphanage. After this an offering was taken for the orphanage amounting to \$103.38. Brother S. W. Latimer gave a wonderful message on "The Effects of Unrestrained Unity."

By a rising vote, the delegates expressed their appreciation for all that the local pastor, Brother Tharp, and the local church had done to make the convention possible. The ministers, through Brother W. E. Raney, expressed their appreciation for their state overseer, Brother Earl Paulk, and requested Brother S. W. Latimer to do all he could to get Brother Paulk back to the state next year. The greatest convention ever held in South Carolina came to a close with handshakes and good-byes and every one left with new zeal for their respective fields of labor.—E. L. Jacobs, Greer, S. C.

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### BIG SPRING, TEX., DIST. CONVENTION

The Big Springs, Tex., district convention convened at Big Spring, May 10-12 inclusive. The convention opened under the able leadership of our efficient overseer, Bro. R. P. Johnson. The service began with a concert prayer in which the presence of the Lord came down. After the congregational singing a praise service was conducted by Brother Artie Segrest, pastor at Colorado, Tex. We then enjoyed some good singing rendered by the B. T. S. Texas quartet. Brother Johnson followed with a soul-stirring message on "Our Father."

The Saturday morning service began at ten o'clock. After songs and prayer Brother Johnson spoke on "The Necessity of Living an Obedient Life to the Lord." By the Saturday night service several delegates had come from various places. Brother Henry, pastor at Brownfield, delivered a good message on "The Benefits of Co-operation."

The young people's program Sunday morning was directed by Sister Tiny Roberts. Reports of the Young People's Endeavor were made by the presidents or workers from each church on the district. The quartet sang several specials and short talks were made on the "Benefits of the Y. P. E." by Sister Orase Hubbard and the writer. Following the Y. P. E. program Brother Johnson brought a message on "Particular" which was a wonderful message of instruction to both

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## State Conventions

### PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION (Col.)

Norristown, Pa., Aug. 26-Sept. 1  
G. Byrd, State Overseer, Colored Work

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### MAINE STATE CONVENTION

Appleton, Me., Aug. 30-Sept. 2  
H. W. Poteat, Overseer



## REQUESTS

Pray earnestly for me to attend Bible School this fall. Pray for my backslidden mother to get back to the Lord.—Pauline Weaver, Wake Forest, N. C.

Please pray for my healing. I am afflicted in my back very badly. Pray for my seven children to be saved. Pray for my unsaved husband, brothers and sisters.—Mrs. Rebecca Carmichael, Dowling Park, Fla.

I am very badly afflicted and suffer much with my chest. Pray a special prayer for the healing of my body.—Mrs. Carrie Taylor, Rt. 1, Pangburn, Ark.

Some few months ago I left the battle field of Christ on account of ill health. I request a special prayer of every individual that God will heal me, that I might once more get in active service for Him.—Thos. M. Hunt, Pinson Fork, Ky.

We are in a battle against sin at Old Stonefield church near Cascilla, Miss. This is one of the oldest churches in the State and the enemy has worked hard to discourage and tear down but God is blessing. Please pray for our success.—H. Y. Williams, pastor; Mary L. Tidwell, evangelist.

Please pray for my feet. I have athlete's foot and I am hindered from being in the service of the Lord.

Pray for the revival that is now going in Washington, Pa. God is wonderfully blessing. Brother D. B. Hatfield is doing the preaching.—R. H. Flinchum, pastor, Claysville, Pa.

Pray for the revival in Columbus, Ga.—A. H. Batts, pastor.

Pray for my mother to be healed, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray for my brothers, sisters, and loved ones to come into the fold before it is too late.—Mrs. Mamie Morrow, 421 E. 17th St., Charlotte, N. C.

Dear saints, please pray for my mother, father, and brothers who are out in sin, that they may be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me and our church at Ludville.—Frank Watson, Fairmont, Ga., Rt. 1.

I have been afflicted in body for several years and am trusting the Lord. Pray for me. Pray for the work here to keep

growing.—Mrs. Leroy Jernigan, Odum, Ga.

I request prayer for the healing of my body. I have been in bed for a week, am afflicted in my stomach. Pray for my family to be saved. Pray for the little church here.—Jennie Whittington, McCall Creek, Miss.

Dear saints of God everywhere: Please pray a special prayer for my sister, Mrs. Boyd Browning, who is very sick. She has something like T. B. of the bowels. She is losing flesh fast, and is suffering very bad. Her husband is not a believer of this way, but she is and she wants to trust God for her body. Pray for the church here at Mallory, W. Va. Pray for me.—A sister under the blood, Rinda Ramey.

I am in a revival at Wilder, Tenn. They say I am the first Church of God preacher that has ever preached here. There are many unorganized holiness folks here and prospects look good for a church. Pray much for me. Those wishing to write me within the next ten days address me at Wilder. I am open for calls anywhere, any state.—C. E. Richard.

Dear saints, my husband has backslidden and I need your prayers. Pray for him to get back to the Lord. I am in great trouble.—Your sister in distress.

Please pray for my boy to get saved and get work so he can support his family. Pray for God to heal my daughter who got her back hurt. Pray for me to be healed. I also have an unspoken request.—A sister, D. Holland, Maud, Okla.

We are in a revival at what is known as the Morning Star schoolhouse, four miles southeast of Chandler, Okla. Pray that God will give us success as this is a new field, also pray for me as I have had the sick headache so much this summer.—Wiley E. Wright, Rt. 3, Chandler, Okla.

Brothers and sisters, I have suffered with eczema for many years. I want you to pray for me to be healed. I am almost blind. I am trusting God alone. Pray that God will bring my whole family in this way.—Mrs. Jannie Reno, Rt. 3, Warrior, Ala.

Please pray for me. I am just saved and I want to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for my two boys and one girl who are in sin to be saved. I have something wrong with my jaw. Pray that God will heal it. Pray for the church here.—Mrs. Nellie Davis.

Dear saints, I know I have been called to China. I have had the call for a long time but on account of my wife and children I have not gone. I know I will have to go if I do the Lord's will. Pray, pray, pray that I may be able to go to Bible School this term.—Henry Hodges, Rt. 6, Boaz, Ala.

## NOTICES

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Dak., are no longer ministers or members in the Church of God. I have revoked their ministerial authority on the grounds of falsifying, disloyalty by failing to make their reports and pay their tithes, also for trying to bring division by pulling away and attempting to take their local church with them and starting an independent organization. They are charged with disrespectful and untruthful remarks about the ministry, membership and the camp meeting of the Church. Much evidence has been submitted in this case which substantiates above charges and proves the guilt of the above named parties.—Paul H. Walker, state overseer.

There will be all day service at the Church of God at Fox, Va., Sept. 15, 1935. We expect our district overseer to be with us. Everybody is invited to come and bring your lunch. Pray much for this service and the church at this place.—Willie C. Holdaway, clerk.

To the churches and members of South Carolina: The mission drive will continue through the first Sunday in September and all are requested to do your best to make this drive a success. Be sure and send your missions to Brother Cooper not later than the second Monday in the month.—Earl Paulk.

I plan to leave Houston, Miss., early Saturday morning, Oct. 5th, for Chattanooga, Tenn., for the Assembly which will convene there Oct. 5-11. I will go by Birmingham and Gadsden, Ala. I will have a new Ford V-8 truck and can take several passengers at a very reasonable rate. Get in touch with me at the following address.—Yours for Jesus and The Church of God, W. B. Wimberly, Houston, Miss.

The Tennessee Y. P. E. state convention will convene with the state Sunday School convention at East Chattanooga, Tenn., Sunday, Sept. 1. The Y. P. E. will take up the morning part of the service and we want every Y. P. E. in the state represented and as many from each Y. P. E. as possible.—Woodrow C. Byrd, state Y. P. E. president.

## Builder of Faith--Prayer

*"But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." Matt. 6:6.*

The Lord Jesus commanded all men to pray. Prayer is the soul's native breath and is the most natural thing in the time of human need. Infidels and atheists who, by powerful, intellectual force will crowd their souls down in time of peace and prosperity, in the day of adversity, or in the hour of some great calamity will cry out, "O God." This is prayer in one sense. Prayer is the golden key that unlocks the heart of God. Whenever the soul gets the chance to break the shackles of intellectualism or fear, under which it is held, it will cry out to God in prayer. The prayer life of Jesus Christ is the great example for the praying Christian. The gospel stories give us a picture of Christ's private and public praying. Prayer is an instrument that unfolds unto man the beauties and hidden mysteries of God. Archimedes once said, "Give me a lever and a place on which to stand and I will move the world." He, through this resolution and determination, did in time turn the world mathematical-minded. Prayer is a spiritual lever that in time past turned the world upside down, and if the people of God today would be more prayer-minded, great mountains and valleys would be moved.

We should pray for kings, for rulers, for presidents, governors, mayors, and all who are in positions of power. "The powers that be are ordained of God." This does not mean that individuals who may be wicked or who may have come to these positions by accident of choice are ordained of God, but that government itself is so ordained, and in praying for those who are in power we do not pray particularly for the person but for the office and the administration of justice and righteousness through office. Tindal, who prayed for Henry VII, was a spiritual giant and was full of the righteousness of God. Henry VII was a cruel tyrant held in the grip of the devil, who is the father of all wrong. This licentious king, full of wickedness, went down into defeat but it was the duty of Tindal to pray for him. John Knox, the great Presbyterian of Scotland, and probably the greatest preacher that Scotland ever produced, prayed for his country and thereby a spiritual revolution swept that liberty loving country like a fire. When England was seething in the grip of a revolution that bathed the verdant hills of

France in blood, John Wesley came on the scene, prayed the prayer of faith and God moved the dark and cloudy day from the horizon of England. Sanctification gave England the greatest blessing spiritually, morally and economically that she has ever had. The world will always recognize the life of Wesley as the man who prayed and gave hope to the lives of millions. It was by the prayers of Whitfield that twenty thousand people at Bristol, England, were swayed as a hurricane sways the trees. It is said that Whitfield prayed for days before he delivered this great spiritual discourse. In the cold Arctic winds of Valley Forge, George Washington prayed for the success of his army that was tattered and torn. No doubt the Throne of Grace heard these prayers and that the American Nation today is reaping benefits from them.

We are to pray for ministers of the gospel as Spurgeon's deacons under his platform prayed for him as he preached, as Moody was prayed for by the poor invalid woman, as Peter was prayed for by Jesus, and as Paul was prayed for by Steven. Praying people produce powerful preaching. It has been reported that Vasco Da Gama prayed all night before he sailed around the world. The persecuted Puritans, a great God fearing people, on their arrival in the new world, knelt on the wild New England shore and prayed. As a result of this prayer and continuous heart communication to God we have built on this western hemisphere the greatest civilization in all the world.

Sunshine has spread her golden wings over a thousand plains since the removal from the Garden of Eden and millions of bleeding, aching and feverish hearts have turned toward the Great Judge of Justice and there found rest unto their souls. This same light is extending her radiant hand over the sin cursed world of today and if man will face the cross and pray the prayer of the spirit of that in Gethsemane, the world will long remember the abundant blessings that will be poured out from the unselfish Throne of Grace.

### HAPPY IN HIS SERVICE

Immediately after the North Carolina state convention I began a meeting in Statesville, N. C. We found the church ready for the revival. The first week twenty-nine were saved, nineteen sanctified and six filled with the Holy Ghost. God certainly blessed in their revival. Brother J. C. Farmer is a good man and good pastor. He is very punctual in business, whole-hearted in service and true to his conviction. Statesville has some very fine people indeed. It is a lovely city

in the beautiful Piedmont section of North Carolina. The church has purchased property in a better location in the city and has placed some building material on the ground for a new church building. The future is filled with great things for the Statesville church.

My next meeting was at Shelby, N. C. If ever any place needed a revival, this place and church did, and God surely gave one. For four and one-half weeks the revival tide rose higher and higher. The power fell, conviction seized hearts, hundreds came, and many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I shall make no attempt to tell what God really did in this revival. Suffice it to say it was a heavenly revival, and what a gratifying sight our grateful eyes beheld on Sunday morning at the close of the revival when a long line of precious men and women, young and old, came forward to take membership in the church. The revival in Shelby, N. C., has closed, but sometimes, even now, I seem to hear the cries and joyful laughter of immortal souls finding "heart ease" at the feet of the "Prince of Peace." But how can a church stay in the background with a pastor like Brother T. M. West? Certainly any church should feel they are very fortunate to have a man so humble and Christ-like.

At this writing we are engaged in a most wonderful revival at Largo, Fla. Seven prayed through to the Baptism the first two weeks of the revival. We are in the third week of the revival now. Two nights last week I did not get to preach at all. Last night (Monday) the power fell in the same way and I did not finish the sermon. So you see the Holy Ghost was so pleased and the people so "prayed up" until He took charge of three services. Oh, how wonderful to have the blessed Holy Ghost come down and take charge of everything. Largo is one of the oldest churches in Florida and God continues to bless. Brother George Lemons is pastor and he is one of the finest men I have ever met. The Church has made splendid progress under his capable leadership. He certainly puts his whole heart in every service. The church people are real workers. God bless these precious people.

When you read this report, I will be in a revival at Clearwater, Fla. To my friends throughout the United States and Canada I send my regards.—Faithfully, Eugene M. Bryant, 422 Mangum Ave., High Point, N. C.

We should enter every day through the prayer chamber and have a talk with the Captain of our salvation about the responsibilities and duties the day may bring.



## Bible School Echoes

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZED WITH SACRIFICE

Dear B. T. S. readers, we organized a Sunday school in our community Aug. 28th but it cost me next year's term in B. T. S. The love I have for B. T. S. makes it a great sacrifice. We have six classes with forty-five enrolled. We have no pastor at present, but will have preaching three times a week and will organize a Y. P. E. soon. This work is being carried on in an old building at Luther, N. C., that was built for a storage house. We will start our new church building soon. We are having a revival now, run by Garland Grooms, with great success.

I am planning on my fifteen-year-old daughter, Dorothy, attending this term without being uneasy at heart, under the care of J. H. Walker, one who prays so much and sheds so many tears caring for the B. T. S. girls and boys. Fathers and mothers, don't be afraid to send your girls and boys to B. T. S. I attended last term. I did not have much to say, but I was a close observer of the school.

When you start your chain of prayer, please let me join you and pray while you all eat dinner. I am shedding more tears about B. T. S. now. My prayers will be more effective. Absence makes the heart grow fonder.—Mrs. Delta Perdue, Candler, N. C., Rt. 1.

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### PRAYER

One of the most essential things in Christian living is prayer. Isa. 55:6 says "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near." This is a commandment by God.

God hears and answers our prayers when we pray with an earnest heart and humble spirit. His ears are always open to the righteous. Prayer offered in faith is sure to be answered. We should not doubt God's power in the least.

Through prayer we may know God's divine will. We are kept from temptation by praying without ceasing. Only prayer can bring down the "old time power." Let us pray much that we may prove ourselves worthy to escape the tribulation.—Ruth Wallace, Atlanta, Ga.

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### THE NEED OF BIBLE TRAINING

Dear Evangel readers: I have a few comments to make on the subject of "Bible Training." I feel led by the Spirit of God to express my opinion on this

theme. If there ever was a time that we needed Bible training, it is now. We should know more about His word and of eternal salvation.

Now let us see if God commanded the Israelite children to be trained in the Word of God. Deut. 6:6, 7, "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." This is to prove that the children of Israel had Bible training. If they needed it then, why don't we need it today? I am sure you will agree with me.

Now let us see what would be the happy effect of Bible training. Prov. 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Prov. 29:17, "Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul." Can't we see the need of Bible training? God help us to take more interest in our young people, in wanting them to be well trained men and women for the service of the Lord.

This is what B. T. S. is doing today for the the young people and for the lost and dying world. We must be trained men and women to fight the battles against atheism, infidelity and communism. Many people say we don't need to go to Bible School. I must say just here, when we get so smart we don't need any Bible training, we are too smart for God to train us. Brother, if you feel that God has called you to preach, you need to come to Bible School.

Mothers and fathers, just think about the disadvantages you had when you were young, and compare the great advantage that we have in sending our young people to Bible School today. You say your young people of today are worse than ever before, that they become criminals now by the time they reach the age of twenty years. It is true that in this period of time we have more criminals than in any period in past history. Those guilty of the crimes of murder, theft, kidnapping, and bankrobbery, range from the age of eighteen to twenty-five years in the present period of time, young men and women, just ready to choose their future occupation for life. May God help our mothers and fathers to wake up and see what kind of training you are giving your children. Are you giving them the training that the world has for them, or are you giving them training in the Lord's work?

Some will say, "Yes, I want them to see what this world has for them, I want them to be popular in this world, I want them to be of the highest society." What

does the world have to offer you? Some will say, "I'm going to put my children through school and college so they can be well known in the world." Yes, let me say this, education is good, it is true, give them a good education, but let us stop, look and think for a moment. Are you going to leave Jesus out? That is what our great Apostle Paul tried to do with all his learning and culture. Yes, he was popular with the world and his much learning gave him fine positions and he wanted to leave Jesus out, Jesus of Nazareth was not popular enough for him. "I am just going to get rid of that class of people with my authority, for I have been trained and educated and I know what I am talking about." Yes, and Jesus knew what He was talking about too, so Jesus with one lesson gave him more than he had learned in his training that he had received while he was trying to leave Jesus out. Jesus was too humble, His way doesn't suit the world, it isn't popular enough, but, glory to Jesus, Jesus is the way! He is the way to our successful jobs, the way to our high school and college. He is the way to our success in life. That is what B. T. S. is for today, to train men and women to put Jesus first in all things. Why don't you want to give them training in God's Word if you want children to be proud of? You helped them to see the world's side of life, why not help them to see the spiritual side of life? We can buy fine cars and wear fine clothes but if we could just take \$100.00 and send some boy or girl to Bible School, if we haven't any children of our own to send, just think what a great blessing we could be to others, and how much God would be pleased, and how He would bless you for your effort.

Some say, "We don't need to go to Bible School." Now when you say that, that is just what the devil wants you to say, that just suits the devil for he knows when they get trained in the Word of God and become acquainted with God's ways he is loser. God help us to stand for our school and for the Word of God. If we could help some poor, worthy boy or girl to come to school how God would bless us for it. It would cause the angels in heaven to rejoice. Stand by B. T. S. Send some boy or girl to school next year. I'm sure by so doing you will never lose your reward, it will be a great deed that you'll never regret.

Think about this and pray about it. Dear people, how much can we do to advance God's kingdom by lending a helping hand? Y. P. E. workers, wake up and stand by your school, B. T. S. It belongs to you, so why not send in your monthly offering? That is a ruling passed by our Assembly. Let's wake up to our respon-

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# MISSIONS

## FURTHER REPORTS FROM THE SPANISH MAIN

By J. H. INGRAM

In my last report I told you of my arrival in Barranquilla, Columbia, South America. From there I took a steamboat up the Magdalena river to the town of Calamar, about one hundred miles distant, then the boat left the river and followed the "Canal Del Dique" across to the city of Cartagena on the Caribbean seacoast, another hundred miles further. The Magdalena is one of the largest rivers in South America and is navigable for some 700 miles and since there are no railroads or highways, the boats are doing a rushing business. The busy world scenes might readily suggest "boom" steam-boat-days on the Ohio or Mississippi in the days gone by. The Magdalena river forms a sort of delta near its mouth, forming into branches. The "Canal Del Dique" (of the dyke) is one of these forks dredged out to the sea.

The boat I had my ticket for sprang a leak and was condemned by the government a few hours before time to sail, so another one was obliged to take not only her own cargo load and passengers but that of the condemned boat. Two large, covered, cargo barges were put to the front in order to provide space for the extra passengers and freight and we set sail after some delay. It was a hard pull against the swift current pushing the two heavy barges, and going down the canal to the sea it was so swift and crooked we rammed into the bank many times and shook things up considerably. It got crosswise the stream once and jammed into a turn bridge at one place and experienced great difficulty in getting free again. One of the barges rammed a hole in the steel hull of the boat, but fortunately for us it was above the water line.

The trip took from 8:00 o'clock p. m. Tuesday until noon Thursday to reach Cartagena, and took us through some wild, undeveloped country with tropical jungles pushing right out into the water on either side. I strained my eyes looking when steaming near the shore in hope I might see a tiger tearing through the bushes, or a monkey, or boa constrictor (large snake) hanging from the tree branches, or perhaps a large crocodile swimming in the river, but I got disappointed as all wild life seemed to be in hiding. The trip was very interesting, especially the native scenes. As we pulled in to the shore at the little villages which

formed the outposts of civilization, one could see the dire need for mission work in this country. Columbia undoubtedly is one of the neediest fields in all of South America, and the door of opportunity seems to be opening to us there as later reports will show.

### *In Cartagena*

The city of Cartagena for its history is in all probability the most alluring town of Latin America. It was founded on the 20th of January, 1533, by the Spanish conquistador, Don Pedro de Heredia. Lying on the shores of the Caribbean Sea, Cartagena suffered countless attacks at the hands of the pirates who infested the Spanish main. Many strong forts were built to afford protection against the enemy. San Felipe de Barajas, built on a hill overlooking the city, in the 16th century, at a cost of eleven million dollars (pesos), was the most important fortification of the New World at that time. Then in the 17th century Philip II had a stone wall built about the city at a cost of fifty-nine million pesos. These walls remain practically intact today and range in thickness from around two feet to one hundred fifty feet, and in places about forty feet high. The walls were formerly lined with cannons pointing in every direction. Many old rusty guns may still be seen. Above and between the two main entrances or gates to the city, arises a high clock tower and the old timepiece is still marking off time, its face lit up by modern electric lights.

Here one may realize at a glance the grandeur and might of Spain in the 16th and 17th centuries, at the time when "the sun did not set on the dominion of the Spanish Kings" and when the temerity and dauntlessness of the conquistadores had no limits. Thinking in terms of Scripture, "the conquest is on in the world," the great battle for right against wrong is waged, and God is calling for men and women who will dare to press the battle to the front line trenches. Dear reader, would you not like to be a "conquistador" for Jesus, and go forward to possess the land in the name of our God?

This part of South America was formerly known as the Kingdom of New Granada and I was just thinking of brave Don Sancho Jimeno who with five veteran soldiers and fifty-eight recruits defended Cartagena for three days in 1697 against the attack of the French with a force of 10,000 men and twenty-two big war vessels, and when the enemy finally fought their way in Don San-

cho stood up and shouted to the Baron of Pointis, "Neither do I surrender, nor do I claim quarter; those who have done so are cowards; but I still have a few valiants who will defend their posts with honor" (a good example for us Christian soldiers to follow). Hearing this, the French Baron took off his own sword and presented it to the Spanish hero as a homage to his bravery.

The last great attack on Cartagena in the Colonial Age was the one made by the English Admiral, Sir Edward Vernon in 1741. Vernon who had failed to take the city a year before, had the backing of England who was struggling with Spain for the supremacy of the seas, so they came with an army of 27,000 men and about 190 warships, the greatest fighting force ever to reach the shores of the Caribbean, and they were so sure of taking the city that they had already coined medals, which showed on the front side Don Blas De Leso, kneeling down before Vernon surrendering his sword, and the inscription "The Spanish pride pulled down by Admiral Vernon," and on the reverse side the inscription "Who took Portobelo with six ships only."

But alas, Don Sebastian de Esclava, then viceroy of the new kingdom of Granada, learned the aims of Admiral Vernon and organized the defences of Cartagena. Don Sebastian had among his comrades in arms famous warriors such as the commander of the city, the renowned Don Blas de Leso, who had already lost his left leg fighting at Malaga against the Englishmen and the Dutch, was left one-eyed at the defence of the fortress Santa Catalina at Toulon and who, in Barcelona, had his right arm torn off by a bullet, yet according to history this much mutilated man was worth more in battle than ten generals.

On came the British, a mighty force of trained warriors. First one, then the other, of the mighty forts were taken by the enemy, until at last Don Blas and his defenders were compelled to take shelter within the walled section of the city, which remained impregnable. So after an epidemic of diseases had greatly reduced their number, to say nothing of those lost in battle, the English gave up the attack and sailed off, leaving the shores strewn about with 10,000 corpses. There was great joy all over the new kingdom of Granada and in Spain when hearing the news, the king rewarded the defenders with promotions, especially the viceroy Esclava and the brave Don Blas Leso. Cartagena today has around 100,000 inhabitants. Would you not like to come over and help take the city for Jesus and the Church of God? A Herculean task, but God is able to send the light and separate the awful spiritual darkness which prevails there today, and we'll get

our promotions by and by when God calls us to our rewards, if faithful to His cause while here below.

#### ON TO BARBADOES

I heard of an opening in Barbadoes, one of the British islands off the coast of Venezuela and British Guiana, so with no word granting entrance to Venezuela, I set sail for Barbadoes on the S. S. Simon Bolivar of the Royal Netherlands Steamship Line. It took seven days to make the trip calling at the ports of Curacao in the Dutch West Indies, and Puerto Cabello and La Guaira in Venezuela, and Port of Spain, Trinidad. We stopped over several hours in Willenstad Curacao. This is a very beautiful place and very prosperous. Being so near the rich oil fields of Venezuela, Curacao has some of the largest oil refineries in the world. The city with its narrow streets and quaint 17th century Dutch gabled houses, built mostly of masonry, with red-tiled roofs, and with the vari-colored walls, present a very picturesque appearance. The official language is Dutch, but the papiamentoe dialect prevails, some being a mixture of Dutch, Spanish, English, French, Portuguese and Indian.

Curacao was discovered by the Spanish navigator, Alonzo de Ojeda, on July 26, 1499, and was under Spain for a long time. Like Cartagena, it is a very historic place. In 1634 the Dutch landed in Curacao and founded a Dutch settlement, deported the Spanish governor and about 400 of his followers to Venezuela. They later fought with the French and English to hold possession of the islands. In 1643 Peter Styvesant was appointed governor of Curacao. In 1644 Peter Styvesant sent troops to the West India colony of New Netherlands (with its capital New Amsterdam, the present city of New York, U. S.) which was menaced by Indians, and the colony was saved. The same year Mr. Styvesant was injured in an engagement and had to have a leg amputated, which, according to tradition, is buried in Monte Berde cemetery in Curacao. In 1646 on July 28 Peter Styvesant was appointed governor of New Netherlands (New York) Curacao, Bon Aire, and Aruba Dutch West Indies. In 1783 a French reportriating expeditionary force of about 10,000 men who had fought under the command of LaFayette against the English for the independence of the U. S., arrived in Curacao.

In Venezuela I learned that the doors had been closed to all members of the clergy, including Roman Catholics, excepting those who have special permits from the president of the republic, and they would not let me land in Puerto Cabello, but I managed to get ashore in La Guaira, and went to the American consul who told me he thought it was useless to go, but directed me to the

"Prefectura" (office of the Prefect) where I got an audience with the "Prefecto" (Prefect) who told me to come in on my way back and he would give me a permit to visit the capital (Caracas), where I hope to meet the minister of foreign relations, perhaps the president, on my return; also I am booked for a missionary council in Caracao, D. V.

Venezuela is a federal republic composed of twenty-odd states and territories, and is known as Estados Unidos de Venezuela (United States of Venezuela). I found they had had an outpouring of the Spirit about the time I was shown the field in a dream or vision some years ago, and the work spread over into Colombia. While at La Guaira I received an air mail letter calling me back there. The door is opening wider in Colombia and God seems to be holding the door open a little season for us in Venezuela. So every one pray, please, especially for Barbadoes. I came here like I went to these other countries, a stranger in a strange land, knew no one, and the boatman who rowed me to land, directed me to the very place I was needed. By nightfall I was lodged in a nice home and preaching to a nice crowd at church. I am staying in the home of Rev. J. H. Marshall, overseer of a group of Pentecostal churches, fifteen in number, with around one thousand members and the work is spreading like "wild fire," as the saying used to go. Seventy-eight were baptized in water at one time a few weeks ago. A great stir is on. I preached only four nights when they called a meeting of the general presbytery and the board unanimously passed a resolution expressing a desire to unite with the Church of God, and so we are going forward with plans to take over the work, perhaps six other churches, so please pray for us and give of your means as God has prospered you, and see the mighty work of God move on in every land.

#### REPORT OF WORK IN SOUTH LOUISIANA

The meeting at Sharps tabernacle closed July 21st with the Lord's Supper and feet washing with both churches, Shepherd's Fold and Sharps Tabernacle, co-operating. The building was packed with many on the outside. The meeting lasted three weeks and nineteen received the Holy Ghost. Brother H. B. Magee did the preaching. He did some good preaching. Many of those who received the blessing were backsliders but some had never had the Holy Ghost.

This meeting followed the two weeks' meeting at Shepherd's Fold conducted by Brother Roy E. Blackwood. Many souls were blessed and four received the Holy Ghost. We felt that this meeting closed too soon as the altar was full and the

house was too small for the people. All of the converts were grown people.

We had a ten nights' meeting prior to our regular service conducted by our esteemed overseer, Robert E. Blackwood, in which three were saved, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We feel that the ladies' prayer meetings had something to do with this revival as they had prayed since last winter for a revival.

Savannah Branch had a wonderful revival which lasted about four weeks. Four were filled with the Holy Ghost and many saved and sanctified. It closed with many at the altar. Brother and Sister Alexander and helpers from McComb, Miss., conducted this revival. They then went to Bedico for a one-week meeting in which one received the Holy Ghost. Good interest was shown there I am told. Brother Dewitt Sharp is pastor of these two churches.

They are having a revival in Bogalusa now. The meeting has been going two weeks and three have received the Holy Ghost and many are in the altar. It is going with good interest. Dewitt Sharp is assisting the pastor, Howard Williams.

Clifton Swenson just closed a meeting at a place forty miles beyond Baton Rouge with good success. There are good prospects for a church if we had some one over there.

I understand Sister Alexander is in a meeting at this writing in a new field near Kentwood but haven't heard concerning that meeting yet. We set a church in order near Morgan City with ten members and we have a good Sunday school there. So you see God is blessing on this district. We plan a good delegation at the Assembly this fall, D. V. Pray for us. We start a meeting soon in Covington.—Yours in His service, J. B. Cole, district pastor.

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## Death Notices

### WHITE

Samuel C. White, Fairplay, S. C., Rt. 1, died June 23, 1935. He was saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, a member of the Church of God, and lived a good life.—His wife, Mrs. Anna White.

### PRUITT

Little Cephas James Pruitt died Aug. 7, 1935. He was the sixteen-months-old son of Brother and Sister J. C. Pruitt of Anderson, S. C. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Davis and interment made in Silver Brook cemetery at Anderson.—His aunt, Mrs. Henry Pruitt.

Note: If any one desires to write Brother and Sister Pruitt, their address is 727 Findley St., Anderson, S. C.

### WALDRON

We are sure that his many friends will be sad to learn that Brother F. M. Waldron passed away at 8:15 a. m. Thursday, Aug. 15. A fuller obituary will follow.

### WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT COMES TO THE FRONT

After a long, long struggle with many tears, fastings and prayers, the West Florida district wins another great victory. A Sunday School was organized in Bonifay in December, 1934, with regular preaching services each second and fourth Sundays. After many months of discouraging tests, the Lord sent Brother D. P. McDonald from Pensacola to Bonifay, where he conducted a three weeks' campaign against the devil; and altho the meeting was greatly hindered with the rain and other things, we closed Sunday night, July 28th, with a new church set in order with fourteen new members and about fifteen others to be transferred here. We lost account of the exact number saved in this meeting, but in all it was a great success. We are expecting to have a new church building before the close of the year.

Holmes Valley—The work there is coming along right well. They have just closed a revival there with good results.

Pensacola—We have a good work there. A membership of seventy-seven, and a Sunday School with an average of over one hundred, Brother D. P. McDonald in charge.

West Pensacola—The West Side Mission was recently set in order. It is known as the West Pensacola Church of God, Brother Frank Marriot in charge. A good Sunday School is in progress there. Also have good Sunday School at

Bethany and Bellevue. Brothers J. F. Harrelson and W. E. Lee respectively, in charge. To our Heavenly Father, His Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Ghost we offer the praise for these great blessings.—Humbly submitted, T. P. Douglas.

### HOW TO BE HEALED

I feel led to write these few words for the benefit of the sick and afflicted who wish to be healed by the Lord and His Church. You must be willing to give up sin and if you have wronged your fellowman, make it right where possible, and if you owe a confession it must be made. Forsake the use of medicine in any form, tobacco, snuff, or any manner of strong drink, even coffee or cocoa. Lay aside finger rings, shiny watch chains, string beads, pearls, bracelets, eye glasses, walking canes, crutches, and immodest dress, and trust in the living God. Do His blessed will and die before you will yield to the weakness of the flesh. You can be healed thru prayer. Millions of prayers are being prayed for those who wish to be healed by the Lord but by holding on to some of these things mentioned above prayer is hindered and the diseases remain and reproach is brought on The Church of God and true holiness.

You are at liberty to write me about

your disease.—Faithfully yours, Waldron Asher, Essie, Ky.

### B. T. S. ECHOES

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sibility and stand by our school and back our school, dear saints. It is ours and let us do all we can for its success and progress.—Yours faithfully in Christ, Carl Cox, a B. T. S. student, South Carolina.

### CONVENTION REPORTS

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young and old. After dinner was served Brother George Anthony led a testimony service, the Lord wonderfully blessed. The afternoon service came to a close with the report of the churches. On Sunday night we enjoyed hearing the quartet sing. After their singing Brother Johnson brought a message on "Mother" in commemoration of Mother's Day. This was a heart touching message and several sought the Lord.

I am indeed thankful for the good convention and the way in which the Lord placed His approval upon it by manifesting His presence throughout the series of services.—Yours in the Master's service, Edith Brous, Big Springs, Tex.

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tion convened at The Church of God at Highway, May 10-12, 1935. The Lord blessed wonderfully throughout the meeting. Brother G. C. Dunn, our state overseer, was in charge. Service began with songs and prayer. Brother John D. Raynor, pastor, gave the welcome address. We are sure all felt welcome. Sister Dunn gave the response. We had a healing service in which the Lord surely blessed. Brother Dunn preached on "Back to Pentecost." The Lord put His approval on this message. After this the saints met at the altar and had a good concert prayer.

Saturday after singing by the choir we had prayer for the sick. Testimony service was conducted by Sister Avria Liphham. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Many good testimonies were given. Brother Dunn preached on "the Judgment" after which an altar call was given. The Holy Ghost put His approval on this service. We thank the Lord for our overseer and his faithful work.

Sunday service opened with singing by the choir. Then while the string band played all marched out to the cemetery. This was a wonderful march, reminding us of our pilgrim journey. After the decoration the quartet sang a song after which we had a concert prayer and Brother H. W. Preston preached an inspiring sermon on the "Resurrection." His message caused us to rejoice in the hope of the resurrection. We assembled back at church and the Sunday School rendered a splendid program in memory of the mothers. We were made to weep for joy as tribute was paid to Mother. After the program we were dismissed for dinner. The sisters spread a wonderful dinner which we are sure was enjoyed by every one.

Many good songs were rendered in the afternoon service. The Lord blessed and all present enjoyed the singing. We were glad of all visiting singers and invite them back again. Their singing was greatly enjoyed, also the string band rendered excellent music throughout the convention. Brother Dunn delivered a message on "I Mean to Go Through". This was inspiring and helpful. We then had reports of the churches. They are moving along nicely, the Lord is blessing. An offering was taken for missions. At the evening service the Y. P. E. rendered an excellent program which was enjoyed. We feel that the Lord was pleased. We then stood and with uplifted hands praised the Lord. After this we had handshakes and good-byes and left with a greater determination to serve the Lord.—John D. Raynor, district pastor, Vesta Freeman, clerk.

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**FIRST CONVENTION FOR DIST.  
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The lower Rio Grand Valley district

convention which convened at Edinburg, Tex., is now in the past but will be long remembered as this was the first convention for this district. Brother R. P. Johnson, state overseer, was in charge. The service began Friday night with songs and prayer, also some good special songs by the Texas quartet of Electra. The welcome address was given by the pastor and response by Brother J. T. Campbell, pastor of Iowa Park, also Evangelist E. M. Smith, recently from Alabama, after which Brother Johnson brought a wonderful message which was enjoyed by all.

We met again Saturday afternoon and after songs and prayers, also more good songs by the Texas quartet, Brother Johnson spoke to the ministers mostly which was very needful and enjoyed. A few minutes was then spent in answering questions and special advice from the state overseer. After the evening devotional service we had a praise service in which the presence and power of the Lord came down in our midst and God blessed in a wonderful way. We enjoyed another good message from our state overseer which closed the service for that night.

We met again Sunday at nine forty-five with glad hearts. It seemed we could almost hear them say as David, I was glad when they said, Let us go up into the house of the Lord. After good songs an offering for missions was taken. Then the Y. P. E. put on a wonderful program which was very edifying and very much enjoyed. The program was in charge of Brother Ernest Smith and Sister Tiny Roberts. Brother Johnson made a few remarks in regard to the value of souls and offered an invitation to seek the Lord. The altar was filled. While some were working in the altar with the seekers some were spreading dinner, then we took food for the natural man and it seemed every one enjoyed it. After the devotional service in the afternoon Brother Johnson spoke on "The Church." We then had reports of the churches on the district which were Edinburg, Donna and Mission and some of the folks from Aransas Pass and Harlingen were with us for which we thank the Lord. Everybody seemed to be encouraged to press on. At the night service Brother Campbell brought a good message on "His Indebt-

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## Pentecost Dispensationally

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care for one another." 1 Cor. 12:25. The baptism of the Holy Ghost which fell at Pentecost, was the divine process by which the particles ground by the hand of God were divinely united and made one. What mostly hinders the workings of God today through the Holy Ghost, is our individualism, our own and different ideas and our unwillingness to overlook the faults and failures of others.

## JOHN AND PENTECOST

John the Baptist had in mind particularly a revival of Pentecost, when he appeared on the scene as a forerunner of Christ. He viewed Christ as having a fan in His hand. By this we are to understand that He would separate the chaff from the wheat. The harvest was the mass of all mankind. Therefore he would "thoroughly purge his floor" throughout the whole world through the refining process of gospel truth leading men up to and giving all men a chance to enjoy a feast of Pentecostal truth. Acts 2:39. He will gather the wheat into His garner. Only the wheat belongs to Christ. The chaff and all the ungodly belong to the master whom they serve. Rom. 6:16. Before Pentecost may be experienced, there must be an offering of one's self as a sacrifice, holy, and acceptable unto God. Rom. 12:1. There must also be a willingness as well as an effort to be united by the Spirit with these whom God claims as His own.

## GOD BLESSING IN ATLANTA

In spite of the spirit of "falling away" and lethargy that is so prevalent most everywhere, the Church here is growing in interest, attendance and spirit. The Sunday School is increasing steadily with the enthusiasm running high. The prayer meetings are well attended and the Lord blesses graciously. The Y. P. E. has good, interesting, spiritual programs and the young people seem to realize the need of the spiritual help as well as the good training they are receiving in the programs. The Sunday morning service is usually the "feast" time for the saints, the sermons are the kind that edify and build up the saints and we can see the effect of them manifested in many different ways. Best of all is the Sunday night service. The singing is good, the church is about full and the Word is given out under the anointing of the Spirit. These are evangelistic services and the revival spirit is surely here. For the last few Sunday nights there have been from twelve to fifteen in the altar and, thank the Lord, some are praying thru. How we do praise the Lord for these good, spiritual meetings, good interest,

good attendance and the good Word of God that is given out in every sermon.

Thanks to Florida for our good pastor, Brother U. D. Tidwell. He is a good man, a good preacher and a good pastor. He is doing a great work here and the people surely love and appreciate him. He has certainly won favor with the outside people, they love him and like to hear him preach, too. We surely hope the Lord will see fit to send him back next year.—Grace E. Holt, 840 Royal Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia.

## NOTICES

Any one desiring to write me address me at Picayune, Miss. Please pray for my wife, baby and me. May God bless all who read this.—Your humble brother in Christ, L. J. Potts.

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## After Death

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world and give his life that we might live, but John 14:3 says, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." Jesus then has gone to prepare a place for those who accept Him.

We read in Rev. 21:1-4 that John saw "a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."

We all long for that place of eternal joy and eternal rest, where there will never be crepe on the doorknobs, where death will be forever banished, where we will never have another heartache nor know another pain, and God will comfort us, and all tears will be wiped away from our eyes.

We read too, in the 22nd chapter of Revelation, 5th verse, "And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign for ever and ever." It will be a land of eternal day; no candle nor light of the sun, for the Lord and the Lamb is a light thereof. I believe that if we candidly search the scriptures, we will agree that it is a sensible thing to accept Christ, and remember the words of our text:

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works."

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edness to God and His Worthy Cause." Then came handshakes and goodbyes. May God bless every one who even prayed a prayer for the convention.

We truly thank the Lord for our state overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson, and the good preaching he did. He lives some six hundred miles away and when he comes we just insist on him doing all the preaching he possibly can as we need teaching so badly.—Sincerely, W. W. Smethers, district overseer.

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